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A copy of each listed document is attached. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed documents and evidence that consideration by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

The following are listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 and are in a language other than English.

a. <u>Japanese Patent Kokai No. 10-134549</u>. The relevance of this document is discussed at page 1 of the specification of the present application and is shown in the English-language abstract.

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b. Japanese Patent Kokai No. 6-290574. The relevance of this document is discussed at

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	10-134549	May 22, 1998	Japan			abstract	
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